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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/005,371
Applicant : Herman Volkers et al.
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METHODS FOR PRODUCING
SELECTED INTERSTRAND
CROSS-LINKS IN NUCLEIC
ACIDS

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Examiner : Bradley L. Sisson
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SUBSTITUTE OF SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
ORIGINALLY FILED AUGUST 21, 2002

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please enter the following Second Preliminary Amendment into the above-identified application. This amendment was originally filed on August 21, 2002. On November 26, 2004 the PTO issued an "Office Communication" stating that the amendment be refiled in the current PTO amendment format.

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